

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Claims 1 through 6 (Cancelled).

Claim 7 (Previously presented): A vertical blind cut-down apparatus for trim cutting a vertical blind having a horizontal headrail defining two ends, and vertical blind materials defining upper and lower ends suspended by the upper ends from the headrail, the vertical blind cut down apparatus comprising: *

a headrail holding plate having a headrail opening formed therein for receiving the headrail therethrough;

a cutting die adapted to receive the headrail extending therethrough, and being movable relative to said holding plate for cutting one end of the headrail;

a blind holder having a blind material opening therethrough for receiving the vertical blind materials therein;

a blind cutting device movable relative to said blind holder for cutting the vertical blind material extending through said blind holder; and

a movement transmission device for moving said cutting die and said blind cutting device, whereby both the vertical blind material and the headrail are cut, wherein said headrail opening in said holding plate is tilted at an angle, and said cutting die defines a cutting opening which is similarly diagonal, said

cutting die being slidably movable relative to said holding plate so that the headrail is cut along a linear diagonal direction, and wherein said movement transmission device further comprises a rotary shaft mounted in said holding plate and a cam mounted on said rotary shaft for moving said cutting die a sufficient distance to sever the head rail, wherein said movement transmission device includes a movement transmission link connecting between said rotary shaft and said blind cutting device, for moving said cutting device substantially simultaneously with said cutting die, wherein said rotary shaft carries said cam, said cam being mounted on said rotary shaft, said cam being received in an opening, said opening being formed in said cutting die, said rotary shaft moving said cutting die along a cutting die movement path, and wherein the vertical blind cut down apparatus further comprises a link arm means, said link arm means connected to said rotary shaft and to said blind cutter device, for moving said cutting device through a blind cutting movement path, said blind cutting movement path being longer than said cutter die path.

Claim 8 (Cancelled).

Claim 9 (Previously presented): The vertical blind cut down apparatus of claim 7, wherein said cam is located on an axis of said rotary shaft that is offset from a rotary axis of said rotary shaft, wherein said cam has a boss mounted thereon for orbital movement, and wherein said link arm means is connected to said boss.

Claims 10 through 16 (Cancelled).